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WILSON TO CARRY DRAFT OF LEAGUE **BACK TO AMERICA**

Efforts Concentrated Upon Completing Preliminary Document in Time for President Before His Departure.

> BY FRANK H. SIMONDS. (Special Cable to The News Scimitar.)

PARIS, Feb. 11.-When President Wilson starts for America shortly he will carry with him something which approximates a draft of the league of nations. All effort and industry at the present time in the peace conference are being concentrated to this end, and it is fairly safe to foreshadow a definite result. That the league of nations scheme which the president will carry home will be a definite and precise document no one will pretend. The truth of the situation is that the peace conference now in session is daily transforming itself more and more into a real league of nations, and that in a considerable degree it will be a continuing fact so far as any league of nations is concerned.

This will be a disappointment for those who hoped that the whole future would be rigidly and definitely organized at Paris. It will be a relief for those who feared that rigidity and insistence upon too great detail would end by wrecking the whole scheme. Obviously therefore the result will represent a compromise between extremists of both sides.

mise between extremists of both and mise between extremists of both and like the search of the president wilson and his European expedition are concerned, the president came here with no definite or clear or coherent program for a league of nations. Certain leass, certain phases even certain principles, were expressed in his various speeches, but only in the vaguest sort of way. He came here to plead his cause, but he did not come prepared to present any working basis of an organisation for a league of nations.

In a very marked degree the president, then came empty handed. His great contribution, as I have tried to point out before, was that he came to Europe a symbol in the minds of millions of Europeans, a symbol and a promise of a different order and settlement from that which they had looked forward to receiving from their own leaders. The effect of his coming was to call forth something approximating an exposition of idealism and aspiration of millions of people. He demonstrated in the reception which came to him how eagerly, how earnestly, millions of people over here were looking forward to some kind of a settlement such as they conceived he had come to Europe to champion.

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riod of time.

What was essential, so far as Mr.
Wilson and those associated with him
were concerned, was that the league of
nations as it developed should in no
respect do violence to the famous 14
points. But the 14 points were not at
this end the basis or league of nations,
or anything else. Thus the president's
position in course of time developed
rather into an inactive attitude. So
far from promosing, he remained silent. rather into an inactive attitude. So far from proposing, he remained silent. His real contribution, it would seem, was to veto at various points where suggestions conflicted over night with his principles as acclaimed in America. After a certain length of time, however, it became clear that if real progress was to be made it would be necessary to cease discussion of abstract principles and get down to actual construction of machinery and at this point the president was helpless, and his associates in the American commission were useless, and it fell to the British logically and inevitably to begin the task of constructing-some framework, and this is what has been going on for task of constructing some framework, and this is what has been going on for

nd this is whulk has been going on for he last three weeks.

The league of nations to be anything a fact beyond an association of un-normitted powers must be a super-tate. It must be an international orstate. It must be an international or-ganization with power and authority over all international organizations, possessing more authority over various nations of the world than the British parliament possesses over her self-gov-erning dominions.

Many Objections.

But very early in the discussion at Paris it became clear that a superstate was an impossibility. The British were not going to give up their navy, which had just saved them and the world from Germany to a junta in which the decision might turn on the vote of San

U. S. OIL TANKER SENDS S. O. S. CALLS

Vance-Central and the Vance-Lamar lines.

According to Mr. Tutwiler, the cars will now run through the business section from the present terminals bringing into effect the schedules formerly in effect on thone lines.

Poplar avenue cars will come in on Poplar avenue and down Main street and out the Vance and Lamar lines as formerly, the downtown loop being eliminated. The Vance and Lamar cars will traverse the same routes downtown, but will go through Main street and out Poplar to Tocker street.

The inauguration of the loop system several months ago aroused many patrons of these lines and a protest was entered, but to no avail. HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 11.—A wire-less call saying the American oil tank steamship J. M. Guffey was taking water in the forehold and was sending out S. O. S. calls was intercepted here riday. The vessel's position was given as off Cape Race. Owned by the Guif Refining company, the tanker sailed from Inverness, Scotland, on Jan. 24 for Hampton Roads, Va.

NA SWAMER

Tennessee-Fair except probably rain nd warmer in extreme east. Mississippl-Partly cloudy; Wednes-Arkansas-Generally fair.

Alabama—Partly cloudy aond warm-: Wednesday fair. Kentucky-Generaly fair, warmer in ntral and east. Louisiana and East Texas-Partly Oklahoma-Generally fair.

West Texas—Fair, warmer in south. Florida—Fair in central and south. Florida—Fair in central and south. Arriver.

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Kansas—Fair in cast, increasing oudiness in west; Wednesday unsetted, not much change in temperature.

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WASHINGTON Feb 11.—Four transports and a cruiser, with more than structed by the British. France and will arrive at New York and Newport News between Feb. 16 within a reasonable time. The supreme economic council can regulate the dis-

STATE WOULD

Act About to Pass Gives State Commission Right to Fix Street Railway Fares in Memphis.

The draft of the proposed bill to amend the act creating the state railroad commission, in order to make the commission, in order to make the commission a public utilities commission, which has been received in Memphis, has created considerable adverse criticism from a number of persons on the ground that it will take from the city government its power to control public utilities such as the Memphis Street Railway company, which operate under municipal franchises.

A bill was passed by the legislature last week giving the railroad commission the power to assess all gas and electric companies in cities in Tennessee, taking the right of assessment of such properties from the cities, the same as is the case with railroads, street railway, telegraph and telephone companies. It was also sought to include such public corporations as pacang houses and even merchants who have places of business in other towns in the state than which they are assessed. the state than which they are as

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The Memphis delegation succeeded in getting this feature taken out of the bill before it was passed, and then sought to have Shelby county stricken out of the bill in the matter of permitting the railroad commission to assess gas and electric light plants. This feature, however, was retained, as, it was explained, exempting one county in a general bill would make the act unconstitutional. The proposed bill making the railroad commission as public utilities commission has one section reading as follows: "That the railroad and public utilities commission as an escapitation of jurisdiction and control over, all public utilities, and also over their property, property rights, facilities and franchises." This, the bill explains, means supervision over and control of such utilities as "steam railroads, street railways, interurhan electric railways, traction companies while on his first dight over the German lines on Nov. 10, has been located and information gathered to indicate how the gallant Memphian went to his death while on a volunteer trip for a companion. Lieut, Joseph S, Michels, formerly of the editorial staff of The News Scimitar, returned to the city Monday with the news.

than anything else.
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mercy of his antagonist.
"We aviators have got to hand it to the doughboys, though. These brave fellows looked up at us ofttimes, exclaiming 'What nerve those aviators must have." The fact is it takes almost

no nerve to fly, whereas the doughboys get the hall of it. They certainly won the war for us."

NEW ENGLAND UNIT

COMING HOME SOON

The bill also proposes to give the commission the right to fix the fees to be paid by any consumer of any product or service of a public utility as herein defined: that it shall have the right to require safe, adequate and proper service and to keep and maintain its property and equipment in such condition as to enable it to do so; and that when any public utility shall increase rates, tolls, fares, etc., or alter any classification, the commission shall have power to hear and determine whether the increases and changes in classification are just and reasonable and to approve or suspend such increases or changes. "An aviator who was on the lookout for Huns usually got by," he said. "Many times in the excitement of infantry battle, however, the flyer aloft became too interested in the troops below him, and before he knew it he heard the gop, pop, pop of a machine gun from his rear. A German had 'sai' on his tail, with almost dire consequences resulting. sequences resulting.

"At other times, however, it is not always the fault of the flyer. Sometimes a wire or other portion of his plane snapped and threw him at the mercy, of his antagonist.

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It is further provided that no privi-lege or franchise granted to any public utility shall be vatid until approved by the proposed commission; that any pub-lic utility may appeal to the commis-sion from any order or regulation made by any local, municipal or county gov-erning body and the commission shall have the right to determine such ques-tions contained in the appeals on their merits.

The bill also would give the commission the right to assess the properties of all public utilities defined above. Senator Frank D. Fuller said on his week-end visit here that he was quite sure the bill will be passed as drafted.

One Hope for City.

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Constitutional lawyers claim that the increased power that would be given the railroad commission by making it a public utilities commission will not serve to give that bedy the power to repeal municipal contractural franchises between the city of Memphis has a franchise contract with the street railway company not to charge more than a 5-cent fare. Notwithstanding the fact that the company is now in the hands of federal receiver of the Memphis Street Railway company.

The change is one which revokes the order issued last summer, which routed Poplar avenue cars over a downtown loop and then out Poplar avenue and similarly affected the routes of the Vance-Central and the Vance-Lamar lines.

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The street railway company might forfeit its franchise and then appeal to the proposed commission for new rates, but the city would then have the right to refuse to grant the company street rights under a new franchise, or to imprevail that the commission's report will be adopted.

The supreme war council, although hearing the claims of Belgian delegates in support of the French view that their country should be protected until it is on the same footing as Germany is expected to refer this matter to an economic committee: it is now evident the supreme war council will be relieved entirely of this question, which is regarded as an economic rather than as military question.

The supreme economic council, which is about to be organized, is expected to consider the French and Belgian proposals that Essen and other German industrial towns should be occupied to prevent the manufacture of munitions and arms. This is a question which bears on the ability of Germany to pay heavy indemnities through products of industry and it is the American view that the suppression of Germany's munition production can be as well assured by a zystem of authorized inspection by entente agents. This would permit German industries to continue with safety to the allies. rights under a new franchise, or to im-pose upon the corporation rentals for the use of its streets.

The Memphis Gas and Electric com-

pany also has a contractural agreement with the city as to rates, etc., that are considered binding. This contract was made when the city agreed not erect a municipal lighting plant and also agreed to permit the old Consolidated corporation and the Merchants' Power company to merge.

If the Consolidated should decide to forfeit its contract, then the city of Memphis would have the right to go ahead with the construction of the municipal lighting plant.

HUN ASSEMBLY ADOPTS **OLD CONSTITUTION**

WASHINGTON. Feb. 11—Gen. Pershing notified the war department today that he had ordered the 26th (New England) division to prepare to return home. The division has not yet WEIMAR, Feb. 11. (By the Associated Press.)—The German national assembly has adopted the provisional constitution with little amendment. The national president will be elected Tuesbeen assigned to early convoy, but Gen. Pershing's action indicates that it will soon be added to the list.

JAPAN SEEKS REPLACING OF HUN IN

Washington Diplomats Learn Of Thinly Veiled Threats Made in Paris If Chinese Envoys Make Public Secret Treaty.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11. (By the Associated Press.)-Japan's attitude toward China in the peace conference is causng grave apprehension among the representatives of the other associated powers. According to official diplomatic information reaching here, Japan virtually has threatened war if China makes public secret treaties between the two countries, and fails to carry out an agreement to make Japan the successor of Germany in rights, property and concessions held by Germany at the outbreak of the European war,

China is relying on the peace conference, where her delegates are said to have made an excellent impression, and is seek ng support from the United States and Great Britain.

Advices from the Orient through diplomatic channels say American Minister Reinsch at Peking, seeking to reassure the Chinese foreign ministers with statements of friendship of the United States government, was told frankly that the foreign minister did not see how at this time the United States or Great Britain could divert their attention to the Orient when the European situation demanded so much attention.

When the Chinese peace delegates arrived in Paris, the inormation now available discloses, they reported that their copies of the secret treaties were stolen from their baggage while they were passing through Japan, and consequently they were unable to carry out their purpose of making them public at the con-

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QUICK ROUND TRIP TO

Not Ratified.

Some of the secret treaties have not yet been ratified by the Chinese government, although Japan has ratified them, and, according to today's advices, the Japanese government is bringing severy pressure to bear on China to ratify them before anything can be done at Paris. The most important of the treaties as yet unratified by China is the agreement of Sept. 24, 1918, which grants Shantung to Japan and admits Japan as the successor to Germany's rights, concessions and properties in the Shantung district. This includes railways, mines and other valuable property and the rights to them for a long term of years.

According to the Chinese claim, Japan already has possession, under treaties and agreements, of two-fifths of the iron ore deposits of the entire Chinese republic and is seeking possession of the other three-fifths.

Although they so far have been able to resist the Japanese demands, the

L. A. Carilsie, manager of the Lawo Coal company, died Tuesday morning at 5:30 o'clock at the Gartly-Ramsay hospital after an illness of several weeks. He was 28 years of age and had been a resident of Memphis for about three years, coming here from Birmingham, Ala. When the coal com-pany was reorganized be

pany was reorganized he was placed in charge of it and had made for him

self a prominent place among the ac-tive business men of the city.

He leaves a widow and a number of prothers and sisters, most of whom re-side in his native state, Alabama.

Funeral services will be held at the arlors of J. T. Hinton & Son, at 7 clock Tuesday afternoon. The re-lains will be taken to Birmingham,

ls former home, for buriat.
The nail bears will be Thomas A. Ev-ns, W. J. Frescott, Van Love, M. G. sailey, Marion G. Evans and Jake Wag-

ARKANSAS SOLON WISHES

ALIENS BEING DEPORTED CHEER FOR BOLSHEVIKI

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—Fifty-four radicals—alien-born anarchists, industrial Workers of the World, and others—arrived at Hoboken today on a train from the West en route to the Ellis Island immigration station, where they are to be detained until arrangements can be completed for their deportation. As a group of men was led from the train to the boat on which transfer was made to Ellis Island, three cheers for the Bolshoviki were given and three Ellis Island, three cheers for the Bolsheviki were given and three more for the I. W. W.

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The first group which stepped from the cars moved quietly and a was escurted by the guards from the train, 20 railroad police and six immigration inspectors. When all of the 53 men and one woman had reached the decks of the immigration boat, the police ordered the I. W. W. members to separate themselves from the others and move to one end of the vessel.

One I. W. W. member objected and struck a policeman on the nose with his fist. Others of the I. W. W. closed in, the police came to the rescue of the man attacked, and not until clubs had been used freely and effectively were the I. W. W. members subdued.

Eight Workers of U. S. Bureau of Statistics Seek First Hand Information Here to Use in Wage Disputes.

The bureau of labor statistics of the department of labor has established offices on the third floor of the courthouse, and under the management of

dealred information to the best of their ability.

In the work Miss Stinson is assisted by Misses King, Levy, Fair, Cornog, Blaisdell, Mangold, Davis and Browne, It is expected the work here will require at least five weeks. The work has been completed in Baltimore, New York, New Orleans, Chicago, Louisville and other cities, and is being extended to all parts of the country. In addition to ascertaining the schedule of wages paid workmen, men and women, the agents are ascertaining louisehold expenses, and will call upon retail merchants to furnish prices of the principal articles of household consumption in order that the changes in cost of supporting a family in decency and comfort may be computed accurately. Miss Stinson said Tuesday that statis

tics prove that almost all wage disputes arise from the increased cost of living and living conditions. She said the fig-ures procured for the war labor beard last year were used in making settle-ment of wage disputes.

She explains that with the informa-tion gathered by the bureau of statis-ties the government can plainly see who is at fault when a wage dispute arises.

AMERICA WILSON PLAN

Americans Have Part in Repulsing Enemy With Big Losses.

PARIS. Feb. 11. (By the Associated Press.)—Evidence of Fresident Wilson's Intention not to abandon the peace conference upon the ratification of the society of nations plan is found in the disclosure today that he plans to return from Washington to Paris March III. This involves so brief a stay \$\mathbb{X}\$ Washington as to permit only the signing of bills during the closing hours of congress. It is understood that Mr. Wilson intends to give personal attention in Paris to the work of the supreme executive council, which promises to be the most important feature of the peace conference after the disposal of the society of nations.

Interesting developments in the work of the supreme executive council of the peace conference after the disposal of the society of nations will be before the commission for second reading, and it is probable it will be prepared for action by a plenary session of the conference late in the week. Unanimity continues to prevail that the commission's report will be adopted.

The supreme war council, although CONTON, Feb. 11. The Bolsheviki ifflinehed an infantry attack Saturday against the allied positions hear Sred-matirengs, southeast of Archangel, and were repulsed, according to an official pulsed, according to an officia at on activities in Northern issued by the war office to night.
In the operations Friday, in which American, British and stussian troops improved their positions on the Petrograd road, south of Kadish, the Boisheviki suffered heavy losses.

BODY TO BIRMINGHAM PARLIAMENTARY COUP MAY SAVE NAVAL BILL

WASHINGTON Feb II To save he new three-year naval building pro-gram from defeat through a parlia-nehizary young, the house rules commi-ee today ordered the report of a rule making the legislation subsections. mentary coup, the house rules committee today ordered the report of a rule making the legislation authorizing construction of 10 battleships and 10 scout cruisers in order for house consideration as a part of the \$720,000,000 naval appropriation bill.

Champions and opponents of the expansion policy prepared for a test of strength in the house in consideration of the rule. A vote on the rule was to be taken after two hours of debate. No record vote on the rule was taken in the house committee, but three Republicans present—Representative Fess, of Ohio, Snell, of New York, and Campbell, of Kansas—said they did not support the rule on the viva voce vote.

CRIMINAL COURT GRINDS POOL HALLS ABOLISHED **OUT CASES AT MERIDIAN**

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Feb. 11, (Spl.)

Representative Talkington, of White county has introduced a bill, in the house to prohibit operation of poel halls in White Dallas, Drew, Logan, Boone, Madison, Pope, Calhoun, sevier, Greene, Faulkner, Lonoke, Cleveland, Missia-sippi and Miller, counties.

The \$178.340 appropriation bill for the Confederate home also was introduced. The house passed the Hillhouse bill, to quiet title to certain lands in Jefferson county. MERIDIAN. Miss. Feb. II. (Spl.)—
The second week of the criminal term
of circuit court convened Monday morning, the grand jury settling down to an
investigation of several matters, and
is expected to adjourn before the week
ends. The special ventre of 100 men
ordered to try Beaman Boatwright, the
negro who shot and killed Constable
Ben Culpepper, will report Thursday.
A motion for a change of venue was
denied by Judge Heidelburg Saturday.

King George Calls For Quick Action To Remove Unrest

LONDON, Feb 11.—King George, in opening the new parliament today, after alluding briefly to events since the dissolution of the last parliament just after the armistics, urgard quick and declaive action on reconstruction measures and asked parliament "to spare no effort in healing the causes of the existing unrest."

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The king stated that a government bill would be presented simplifying the procedure in the house of commons to that the lower hody might expedite what the government considers imperative measures. Among the measures, be said, were better housing, the formation of a department of health, the fulfillment of piedges to labor that unfair competition would be prevented, and the betterment of the agricultural situation through the improved transportation.

Closing Arguments in Will Case Are Made and Verdict Expected.

It may be late in the afternoon before the Carroll will case goes to the jury a. F. Floims, of counsel for the montestants, completed his argument Tuesday morning and Col. J. W. Canada, representing the beneficiaries of the will, was to make the final address before the jury following the noon recess. Judge Pittman was to then charge the jury and the fate of the will will hang in the balance until the jury makes its decision.

The contention of the contestants of the will, the Carroll brothers, interpreted through their attorneys, Holmes & Canada, (Sates & Martin and J. Williams, Jr. was that the will of the williams, Jr. was that the will of the buildings and particularly at the eider buildings and particularly at the eider

prefed through their attorneys. Holmes & Canale, Gaten & Martin and J. J. Williams, Jr., was that the will of Miss Annie M. Carroll was made under the influence of Mrs. Belle Daly Williamson and her daughter. Norma Daly, the latter being the beneficiary under the instrument that the testatrix was infatuated with and in love with Miss Norma Daly, and that the lalys took advantage of this infatuation to the extent of allenating the affections of the girl from her family, diverting her love to them and not only causing her, through undue influence, to have her will made in their favor, but to cause her to spend approximately \$17.600 on them in the course of several years.

Col. Canada, attorney for the beneficiaries of the will, set up the contention that the young lady was deformed and eccentric, and for that reason her family was aslamed of her and slighted her; that her brothers never treated her as a sister and that for those reasons the young woman sought they companionship of others and found congenial and loving companionship in the Daly home. when to alienating the affections of the girl from her family diverting her we to them and not only causing her. The made in their favor, but to cause or to spend approximately \$17.600 on the fire protection and screening of all the schools and paperoximately \$17.600 on the fire protection and screening of all the schools and particularly the older ones, and the schools and particularly the older ones, are dirty, and great henefit to the eyesight of the pupils and teachers could be obtained by painting the walls with a bright nonlight absorbing paint, and we find very few of the schools are equipped with electric lights.

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"A great deal of waste fuel is created by failure to cover the bollers and many of the steam mains and hot air ducts with asbestos which would also give added fire protection. Further, when the steam risers in many of the undown, and which the local particularly afternon included a measure amending charter the city of Merriphia so, as to provide the city of Merriphia so, as to provide the city of Merriphia so, as to provide the bundred dollars. This levy shall made by the city and turned over to shall many of the schools the fire escapes, that it would entirely full be and of education, provided the should be modernized.

BILL WOULD GIVE CITY

VANDERBILT HOSPITAL UNIT HOME IN APRIL

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 11. (Spl.)

—The Vanderbilt hospital unit which went overseas in the fall of 1917, is expected to reach Fort Ogiethorpe and be demobilized not later than April 1, according to advices received here today. The unit, which was headed by Maj. Richard Barr and Maj. W. H. Witt, of the Vanderbilt university faculty, is composed of doctors and enlisted men from over the entire state.

LEAKING ROOFS

Rotarians Give Bad Report on All Memphis School Buildings Except Three-They Not Perfect.

Leaky roofs, insanitary equipment, inadequate attention, constant fire menace and danger to life and limb because of rotting flooring, overcrowed or the second of the sec

Walton and the chairman. Mr. Bins-wanger.

"There are only three schools in the city of Memphis that we could con-sider as being modern." says the re-port. "but even these schools, with the exception of the Rusell, need certain changes and improvements which, how-ever, could be accomplished at limited expenditure and in a very short time.

"As for the balance of the schools, conditions vary from fair to impos-sible.

Number Inadequate.

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"After a careful study of the situation we find that the number of school buildings in the city of Memphis are wholly inadequate for the school population. We would advise, with a possible one or two exceptions, that every school in the city of Memphis, both white and colored, is taged beyond its capacity, the school enrollment being is per cent to 150 per cent greater than the capacity of the building as originally intended.

There has been an effort made to overcome crowded conditions of the original buildings by the use, first of basement rooms, and then by annexes, and later by portable buildings. These improvised classrooms are condemned as being unsuitable, for they are wholly untitted, in some cases, due to improper ventilation, and in many cases improperly heated, badly lighted, and in some instances, basement rooms are possibly damp.

"One very noticeable and unsatisfactory condition which exists is that in the large number of the schools, at least three-fourths of them, the toilet facilities are instequate and of a type that should not be permitted under any conditions.

"We find that many of the buildings."

need attention, floors to many of the buildings and particularly at the older ones, are in such bad repair as to be even rotted away, and in some in-stances are a member to life and limb of the children, and these conditions obtain, more or less, to all schools, with the possible exception of Rozell and Guthrie

Need Protection.

NASHVII.1.E. Tenn. Feb. 11. (Spl.)

The Shelby degelations in both the house and senate Monday afternon in troduced a measure amending charter of the city of Meriphia so as to provide for the levy of a school tax of 50 cents on the hundred dollars. This levy shall be made by the city and turned over to the city board of education, provided the city shall not pay more than the amount of the tax to the city school board each year.

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on the hundred dollars. This levy shall be made by the city and turned over to the city board of education, provided the city shall not pay more than the amount of the tax to the city school board each year.

For the purpose of defraying the expenses of collecting the tax, the city shall this out one-half of one per cent of this tax, amounting to about \$\frac{125}{25}\$. Three cents of this tax shall be set saide for a fund for public improvements to be made by the board of education.

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Out of the remainder of the tax, the board of education shall pay all expenses and also all interest and sinking in fund charges due for current year to upon sil bonds, and slso must nay off the principal of any bonds maturing within the years for which the tax levies shall be made.

LENNIE ORMES LANDS

STATE REVENUE PLACE

NASHVILLE, Tenn. Feb. 11. (Spl.)

Lennie Ormes, well-known Democrat and active political worker, lass been commissioned state revenue agent for the Middle district of Tennessee.

Mr. Ormer, who succeeds Hoye T. Stewart, at present attorney-general of the Service of the curriculum, studies, size of classrooms, etc. for whatever system or rearrangement that might be provided.

Complete Survey Planned.

Complete Survey of the committee is to be picked from the state government and another from one of the high-general election was assistant to Meallister on the Democratic state executive committee.

VANDERBILT HOSPITAL

er educational institutions of national reputation.

This committee will report to the Robry club committee, which in turn, after reviewing it, will submit it to the Robry club for action. The resolution places the maximum cost of this work to be paid by the club of \$250.

The other resolution asks that the flotary club forward the committee's report to the school board and to the Shelby county delegation. It also proposes that the Robry club petition the school board to take steps immediately to provide sufficient funds for proper sanitation—"conditions of the toilet which are in a deplorable consanitation—"conditions of the toilet rooms which are in a deplorable con-

Maj. Richard Barr and Maj. W II.
Witt, of the Vanderbilt university faculty, its composed of doctors and enlisted men from over the entire state.

STRIKERS TO VOTE.

BELFAST, Feb. 11—The strikers of Belfast have agreed to take a ballot on the question of settlement of the strike. Fending the balloting the city resumed its normal activities today. The street car service was resumed and the electric power current started again.